



# Federal Emergency Management Agency

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IN REPLY REFER TO:  
Case No.: 98-09-285P

The Honorable Yvonne Burke  
Chairperson, Los Angeles County  
Board of Supervisors  
500 West Temple Street, Suite 821  
Los Angeles, California 90012

Community: Los Angeles County, California  
Community No.: 065043  
Panel Affected: 0345 B  
Effective Date of **FEB 19 1998**  
This Revision:

102-D

Dear Ms. Burke:

This responds to a request that the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) revise the effective Flood Insurance Rate Map (FIRM) for your community in accordance with Part 65 of the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP) regulations. In a letter dated December 3, 1997, Mr. David Yamahara, Assistant Deputy Director, Department of Public Works, County of Los Angeles, requested that FEMA revise the FIRM to show the effects of a bridge at Newhall Ranch Road that spans San Francisquito Canyon Creek and a pre-existing levee along the west bank of San Francisquito Canyon Creek. This request also includes a 66-inch-diameter concrete drain pipe approximately 600 feet north of Newhall Ranch Road that discharges into the San Francisquito Canyon Creek. This request follows up on a Conditional Letter of Map Revision issued on March 20, 1995.

All data required to complete our review of this request were submitted with letters from Mr. Yamahara.

We have completed our review of the submitted data and the flood data shown on the effective FIRM. We have revised the FIRM to modify the floodplain boundary delineations of the flood having a 1-percent chance of being equaled or exceeded in any given year (base flood) along San Francisquito Canyon Creek. As a result of the modifications, the width of the Special Flood Hazard Area (SFHA), the area that would be inundated by the base flood, for San Francisquito Canyon Creek decreased in some areas. The modifications are shown on the enclosed annotated copy of FIRM Panel(s) 0345 B. This Letter of Map Revision (LOMR) hereby revises the above-referenced panel(s) of the effective FIRM dated December 2, 1980.

The modifications are effective as of the date shown above. The map panel(s) as listed above and as modified by this letter will be used for all flood insurance policies and renewals issued for your community.

A review of the determination made by this LOMR and any requests to alter this determination should be made within 30 days. Any request to alter the determination must be based on scientific or technical data.

We will not physically revise and republish the FIRM and Flood Insurance Study (FIS) report for your community to reflect the modifications made by this LOMR at this time. When changes to the previously cited FIRM panel(s) and FIS report warrant physical revision and republication in the future, we will incorporate the modifications made by this LOMR at that time.

This LOMR is based on minimum floodplain management criteria established under the NFIP. Your community is responsible for approving all floodplain development, and for ensuring all necessary permits required by Federal or State law have been received. State, county, and community officials, based on knowledge of local conditions and in the interest of safety, may set higher standards for construction in the SFHA. If the State, county, or community has adopted more restrictive or comprehensive floodplain management criteria, these criteria take precedence over the minimum NFIP criteria.

The basis of this LOMR is, in whole or in part, a channel-modification/culvert project. NFIP regulations, as cited in Paragraph 60.3(b)(7), require that communities ensure that the flood-carrying capacity within the altered or relocated portion of any watercourse is maintained. This provision is incorporated into your community's existing floodplain management regulations. Consequently, the ultimate responsibility for maintenance of the modified channel and culvert rests with your community.

Because this LOMR will not be printed and distributed to primary users, such as local insurance agents and mortgage lenders, your community will serve as a repository for these new data. We encourage you to disseminate the information reflected by this LOMR throughout the community, so that interested persons, such as property owners, local insurance agents, and mortgage lenders, may benefit from the information. We also encourage you to prepare an article for publication in your community's local newspaper. This article should describe the changes that have been made and the assistance that officials of your community will give to interested persons by providing these data and interpreting the NFIP maps.

This determination has been made pursuant to Section 206 of the Flood Disaster Protection Act of 1973 (Public Law 93-234) and is in accordance with the National Flood Insurance Act of 1968, as amended (Title XIII of the Housing and Urban Development Act of 1968, Public Law 90-448), 42 U.S.C. 4001-4128, and 44 CFR Part 65. Pursuant to Section 1361 of the National Flood Insurance Act of 1968, as amended, communities participating in the NFIP are required to adopt and enforce floodplain management regulations that meet or exceed NFIP criteria. These criteria are the minimum requirements and do not supersede any State or local requirements of a more stringent nature. This includes adoption of the effective FIRM to which the regulations apply and the modifications described in this LOMR.

If you have any questions regarding floodplain management regulations for your community or the NFIP in general, please contact the Consultation Coordination Officer (CCO) for your community. Information on the CCO for your community may be obtained by contacting the Director, Mitigation Division of FEMA in San Francisco, California, at (415) 923-7177. If you have any technical questions regarding this LOMR, please contact Mr. Mike Grimm of our staff in Washington, DC, either by telephone at (202) 646-2878 or by facsimile at (202) 646-4596.

Sincerely,



for Matthew B. Miller, P.E., Chief  
Hazards Study Branch  
Mitigation Directorate

Enclosure(s)

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Department of Public Works  
County of Los Angeles

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NATIONAL FLOOD INSURANCE PROGRAM

FIRM

FLOOD INSURANCE RATE MAP

LOS ANGELES COUNTY,  
CALIFORNIA  
(UNINCORPORATED AREAS)

PANEL 345 OF 1275  
(SEE MAP INDEX FOR PANEL NOT PRINTED)

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